IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Fan, et al.

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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR SCALABLE COST-SENSITIVE LEARNING

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Box AF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 11, 2008, please amend the aboveidentified application, as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. The claims are amended for consistency with the recent holding in Bilski, as best understood at this time, although it is noted that Bilski addressed facts in which a business method was claimed and described as being executed mentally. Neither of these aspects are present in the present application.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.